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- 1. A plasma display screen comprising a carrier plate, a transparent front plate, a ribbed structure dividing the space between the carrier plate and the front plate into plasma cells, which are filled with a gas, one or more electrodes arrays for generating corona discharges in the plasma cells, and a phosphor layer comprising a blue-emitting phosphor of the general formula  $(La_{1-x-y}Gd_x)Si_3N_5O_vF_w$ : Cey, where  $0 \le x < 1$ , 0 < y < 0.1,  $0 \le v < 0.1$  and  $0 \le w < 0.1$ .
- 2. A plasma display screen as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the phosphor layer comprises the blue-emitting phosphor LaSi<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>.
- 3. A phosphor layer comprising a blue-emitting phosphor of the general formula  $(La_{1-x-y}Gd_x)Si_3N_5O_vF_w:Ce_y, \text{ where } 0 \leq x < 1, \ 0 < y < 0.1, \ 0 \leq v < 0.1 \text{ and } 0 \leq w < 0.1.$
- 4. A phosphor of the general formula  $(La_{1-x-y}Gd_x)Si_3N_5O_vF_w$ : Ce<sub>y</sub>, where  $0 \le x < 15$   $1, 0 < y < 0.1, 0 \le v < 0.1$  and  $0 \le w < 0.1$ .
  - 5. A phosphor of the general formula  $(La_{1-x-y}Gd_x)Si_3N_5$ : Cey, where  $0 \le x < 1$  and 0.01 < y < 0.1.